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great cause of American agriculture. Much has been done, within a few years, for this cause, but a vast deal more remains to be accomplished ; and we know not of a more efficient instrumentality for that purpose than the circulation of works like this. It is a production of substantial merit ; such, in a word, as the peculiar experience, intelligence, and enthusiasm of the lamented author, as well as the extraordinary opportunities of observation, experiment, and study, which he enjoyed, might reasonably lead us to expect.

In regard both to the author, and to the work before us, we cordially concur in the opinions expressed by Professor Dean, of the Albany Medical College, in his Eulogy, delivered a short time since before the Agricultural Society of the State of New York, of which Mr. Buel was President for many years.

"His writings," says the Professor, "are principally to be found in the many addresses he has delivered ; in the six volumes of his 'Cultivator,' in the small volume (made up, however, principally or entirely, from materials taken from the 'Cultivator,') published by the Harpers, of New York ; and 'The Farmer's Companion,' the last and most perfect of his works, containing within a small compass, the embodied results of his agricultural experience, a rich legacy, to which the great extent of our farming interest cannot remain insensible. \* \* \* \* I deem it really the most fortunate circumstance in his life, that he should have been permitted, so immediately previous to his departure, to furnish this volume ; and I shall confidently expect that the coming generation will be better farmers, better citizens, and better men, from having had the formation of their young minds influenced to some extent by the lessons of experience and practical wisdom, derived from the last, best, most mature production of this excellent man."

The "Companion" contains, among numerous miscellanies of great interest, the Discourse prepared to be delivered last autumn, before the Agricultural and Horticultural Societies of New Haven County, Connecticut, the actual delivery of which was prevented by the untimely decease of its author.

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13. — *American Juvenile Biography*. — (1.) *The Life of Christopher Columbus, the Discoverer of America*. Boston : Benjamin H. Greene. 1840. 18mo. pp. 233.  
(2.) — *The Lives of Hernando Cortez, the Discoverer of Mexico, and Francisco Pizarro, the Conqueror of Peru*. Boston : Benjamin H. Greene. 1840. 18mo. pp. 194.

THESE two little volumes are exceedingly well adapted to interest the readers for whom they are intended. The narra-

tives of the adventures of Columbus, Cortez, and Pizarro, are told in a very simple but animated manner. The Juvenile reader will easily remember the principal facts, which are here stated so carefully and correctly. We wish there were more such books ; for the knowledge they communicate, though in the most unpretending form, is important. The author of these modest works shows a happy tact, and excellent taste ; and we are sure her circle of little readers will feel themselves greatly obliged to her, for what she has done for their instruction and entertainment.

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14. — *The Annuallette, or Christmas and New Year's Gift for Children.* Boston : Samuel G. Simpkins. 1840.

THERE is a pleasant tone running through the book, which will make it acceptable to the same class of readers, for whom the two abovementioned works were intended. The moral tendency of it is worthy of high praise ; the variety and amusing character of its contents will be found attractive ; and the taste which pervades all the pieces is pure and good. We commend it to the friends of little people. The " History of a Fly " is a very fine specimen of autobiography.

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15. — *A Sermon, preached at the Church in Brattle Square, on Sunday morning, January 19th, 1840, on the Destruction of the Lexington by Fire, January 13th.* By S. K. LOTHROP, Pastor of the Church. Published by Request. Boston : John H. Eastburn. 8vo. pp. 24.

THIS is one of a large number of discourses from the pulpit, delivered in Boston and other places, on the occasion of that shocking casualty, the burning of the steamboat Lexington in Long Island Sound. We have read it with that painful interest which the eloquence of the accomplished writer, employed upon so profoundly tragical a theme, could not fail to excite. That the just and manly feeling which pervades it well responded to that of the community around, may be inferred from the fact, that it immediately passed through three or four editions.

To the memory of one, — we need not hesitate to say, — the most illustrious, of the many lamented victims, Mr. Loth-